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Application No. : 09/154,966
Filed : September 17, 1998
Title : DEDICATED BANDWIDTH DATA COMMUNICATION SWITCH
BACKPLANE
Grp./Div. : 2665
Examiner : Steven HD Nguyen
Docket No. : 39892/JEC/X2/111480

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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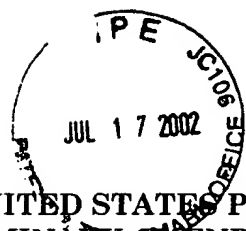
Commissioner:

Please enter the following amendment prior to a substantive examination of this application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 4-8 without prejudice in accordance with the Examiner's restriction requirement mailed March 22, 2002. Please add new claims 9-13 as follows. The now pending claims are as follows:

1. A dedicated bandwidth data communication switch backplane, comprising:
a plurality of switching controllers; and
a plurality of packet buses, each packet bus having a root interfacing with a different one of the switching controllers and a



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Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	8	* 8	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	-0-
Independent Claims	3	** 4	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	-0-
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$140.00	\$280.00	
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- ___ Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.
___ A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
___ Other enclosures:

Amendment Transmittal Letter
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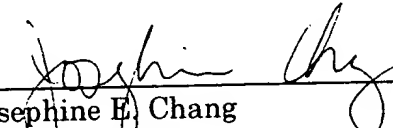
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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